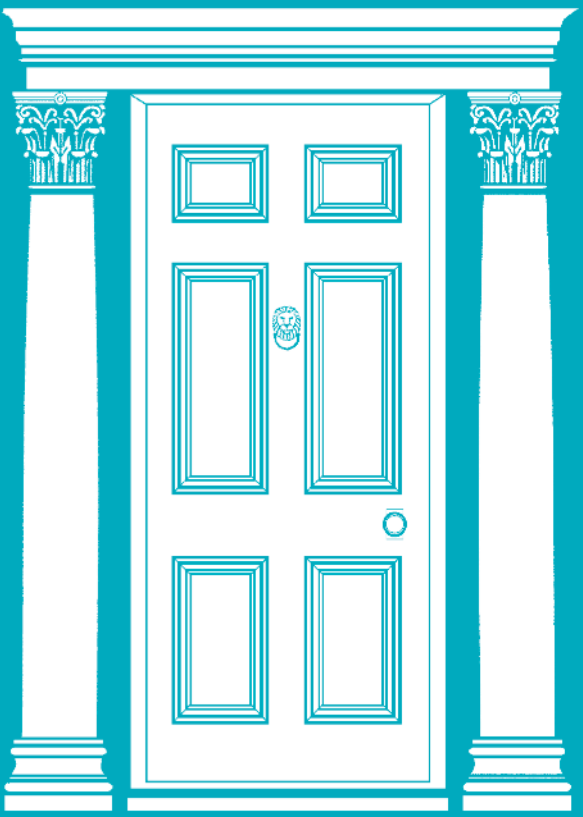
The 82nd Annual SAVANNAH TOUR of HOMES & GARDENS



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MARCH 23-26, 2017

Presented by the Women of Christ Church Anglican
and Historic Savannah Foundation
In cooperation with Ardsley Park-Chatham Crescent Garden Club

HOME & GARDEN WALKING TOURS

Join the Annual Savannah Tour of Homes & Gardens in Celebrating 82 Years of Hospitality, Preservation and Community Giving!

The Tour offers a rare opportunity to enter some of Savannah's finest private homes and experience the architecture, furnishings and collections that have been treasured by families for generations...but seldom seen by the public. These properties have been meticulously restored, preserving the character of the space yet allowing for the enjoyment of modern amenities. Several sites incorporate more current design trends.

The 2017 Tour features homes in four of Savannah's National Register Historic Districts. Thursday highlights the Victorian and Thomas Square Streetcar districts. Friday and Saturday focus on downtown--home to the largest urban National Historic Landmark District in the United States, featuring twenty-two oak-canopied squares surrounded by lovely homes, businesses, and churches. Ardsley Park, Savannah's first planned suburban area, is featured on our Sunday Tour.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017
Home & Garden Walking Tour
Victorian Historic District
and Thomas Square Streetcar Historic Districts
10:00am-1:00pm, 12:00pm-3:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets $45

The Savannah Victorian Historic District was developed between the late 1860s and late 1890s and was the first expansion outside of the Oglethorpe plan area. This District is characterized by shaded, tree-lined streets with wide brick sidewalks and picturesque houses lined up on narrow landscaped lots. Architectural styles reflect those popular at this time and range from the Carpenter “Box” style, a box embellished with lace-like wood designs, to High Victorian Queen Anne style, and also include several fine brick townhouses scattered throughout the district. The Thomas Square Streetcar Historic District consists of a mix of residential, commercial, and community landmark buildings with landscaped yards and tree-lined streets. The district is characterized as a streetcar suburb, which developed during the late 19th into the mid-20th century. Architectural styles within the district include Queen Anne, Folk Victorian, Italianate, Neoclassical Revival, Colonial Revival, Beaux Arts, Prairie School, and Craftsman.

HOME & GARDEN WALKING TOURS

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2017
Home & Garden Walking Tour
Western Historic Landmark District
10:00am-1:00pm, 12:00pm-3:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets $45

Built during the height of the Cotton Era, these 19th century homes exhibit many Romantic Revival architectural elements. Stroll through Madison, Monterey, and Chatham Squares and visit magnificent Forsyth Park. Clustered along the park are the grander, more elaborate houses in many eclectic styles. West Jones Street is at the heart of this neighborhood and features a broad brick-paved street with elegant rowhouses and a canopy of live oaks. Additionally, this area includes a mix of commercial businesses, including the locally renowned Mrs. Wilkes' restaurant and the Downtown Design District, which offers excellent shopping.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017
Home & Garden Walking Tour
Eastern Historic Landmark District
10:00am-1:00pm, 12:00pm-3:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets $45

The northern portion of this neighborhood features some of the district's earliest homes. Built closest to the Savannah River, these structures date back to the mid to late 18th century and include Greek Revival and Federal style architecture. As you head further south you will find beautifully restored 19th century homes showcasing wrought iron, unique architectural detailing, and charming front stoops. The area includes a range of both large and small houses as well as duplexes and rowhouses in a variety of architectural styles including Romanesque, Victorian, and Italianate, among others.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2017
Home & Garden Walking Tour
Ardsley Park - Chatham Crescent
12:00pm-3:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets $45

Ardsley Park-Chatham Crescent is a large residential area developed (c. 1910) as two adjacent planned subdivisions and built to accommodate the automobile. Ardsley Park showcases broad streets with lush tree canopies and landscaped squares. Chatham Crescent has one of the only Beaux-Arts inspired 'City Beautiful' plans in Georgia, with a grand mall, crescent shaped avenues, and small circular parks. The district is almost completely residential and contains larger homes with expansive lawns in a variety of revival and eclectic styles which were popular in the early 20th century.

HOME & GARDEN WALKING TOURS

Home and Garden Tours are self-guided with a different group of five to eight sites featured on each of the four days. You may visit these selected sites in any order during a three-hour period at your own pace. The homes vary in age, size, and style; they may have high-stooped entries with steep steps to climb. Most are NOT handicapped accessible. We regret that animals and service animals cannot be admitted into the homes. Please wear appropriate walking shoes for your comfort and safety and to protect the integrity of the homes.

Check out the following pages for Special Events each day! Tickets for our Tours and Special Events sell quickly and a limited number of tickets are available. Please reserve early.

Tickets on sale starting December 5, 2016 at 10:00am EST. Tickets can be purchased by phone or online.

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Please visit our website for updates on tours and events.

ABOUT THE ANNUAL SAVANNAH TOUR OF HOMES & GARDENS

The Tour is operated by a subsidiary of the Women of Christ Church Anglican in partnership with Historic Savannah Foundation. Christ Church Anglican traces its origins to the founding of Georgia in 1733 when General Oglethorpe laid out the City around evenly placed town squares. It's believed that the first Anglican worship services were held in Oglethorpe's tent or in the open air before moving to the colonial courthouse. Historic Savannah Foundation has also had a long presence in our community. In 1955, seven determined women joined to save the Davenport House from demolition. Their vision led to the creation of "HSF," which has worked tirelessly to preserve and protect the unique heritage of Savannah ever since. The Church uses its share of Tour proceeds to fund ministries in the name of Christ in our community by providing necessities and hope in difficult times. HSF uses proceeds to support its operations and advocate for the protection of the heritage of Savannah and Chatham County. On Sunday we collaborate with the Ardsley Park-Chatham Crescent Garden Club, which uses proceeds for restoration efforts in its historic neighborhood.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017

Home & Garden Walking Tour
Victorian Historic District
and Thomas Square Streetcar Historic Districts
10:00am-1:00pm, 12:00pm-3:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets $45 More details on page 1

Thursday & Friday Afternoon Combo Deal

Save $10 when you purchase tickets for 2:00pm-5:00pm Thursday and 2:00pm-5:00pm Friday Walking Tours together.

Round-trip Shuttle for Victorian and Thomas Square Streetcar Historic Districts Tour
Departs from the trolley stop at 320 Montgomery Street
Departures every 30 minutes
9:30am-8:00pm Tickets $10

Shuttles will depart from the Tour Headquarters at the B Historic Hotel, located at 320 Montgomery Street, and drop off at Christ Church Anglican, 2020 Bull Street, in the Thomas Square District. Shuttle tickets may be purchased by phone, on our website or at the Tour Headquarters.

THURSDAY SEMINARS & EVENTS

Secrets of Preserving a City
Kennedy Pharmacy, 323 East Broughton Street
9:30am-11:00am Tickets $40

Learn the secrets of how Savannah has become famous for preserving the largest urban historic district in the country. Daniel Carey, President of Historic Savannah Foundation, will explain how this is being achieved using a Revolving Fund and easements. Savannah was one of the earliest communities to employ these tools and their use has saved nearly 400 buildings. A 30-minute presentation will be followed by a one hour trolley tour featuring a sampling of success stories.

Architecture of John S. Norris - A Walking Tour
Departs from the Green-Meldrim House, 14 West Macon Street
10:00am-11:30am Tickets $30

Designing Savannah's Custom House led New York-born John S. Norris to private and public commissions that would reshape and expand Savannah's downtown architectural landscape. Join professional tour guide, Joan Waite, on this walking tour of the lower historic district focusing on the exteriors (and some interiors) of Mr. Norris's signature style.

Beautiful Table Settings with lunch at Elizabeth on 37th

Whitefield Center, 106 East 37th Street
and Elizabeth on 37th Street
12:30pm with Lunch served at 1:00pm Tickets $45

Thursday's lunch will be a delight! Our lunch includes an opportunity to gain some insight into the art of table setting and enjoy a wonderful meal at one of Savannah's exclusive dinner restaurants, Elizabeth on 37th. Our event begins at The Whitefield Center with Mary Kramer, owner of The Vicar's Wife. Mary will conduct a demonstration on the art of table setting using pieces from her shop. After the demonstration lunch will be served across the street at Elizabeth on 37th. Elizabeth on 37th has been a mainstay of the Thomas Square neighborhood for many years and is housed in an elegant early 1900s mansion. Not typically open for lunch, this is an experience not to be missed. The menu makes good use of our coastal seafood, locally grown produce, and herbs from the restaurant's own herb garden.

More Than Books

Bull Street Branch Live Oak Library, 2002 Bull Street
2:30pm-3:30pm Tickets $15

Located in the Thomas Square neighborhood and surrounded by late-Victorian homes is the main library building of the Live Oak Public Library system. This building on Bull Street opened for use in 1916 and was built at a cost of $104,041.78 with a Carnegie grant. The neoclassical design was developed by architect H. W. Witcover, who also designed Savannah's City Hall. Renovations and additions over the years have resulted in a stunning facility that has been redesigned to accommodate more than books.

Masterful Centerpieces

Whitefield Center, 106 East 37th Street
3:00pm-4:30pm Tickets $30

A floral designer working with a background in graphic and interior design, Anissa Manzo Goeken will present a demonstration on creating masterful centerpieces. Anissa is the owner of Urban Poppy, Savannah's very own full service bridal boutique dedicated to providing beautiful floral arrangements and creative décor for a bride's most memorable day. She believes flowers are the loveliest way to capture the living beauty of any special occasion.

Welcome Reception and Worship Service
Whitefield Center, 106 East 37th Street and
Christ Church Anglican, 2020 Bull Street
5:30pm-7:00pm Complimentary event; no ticket required

The Women of Christ Church Anglican invite you to join us at the Whitefield Center for homemade goodies and fellowship to kick off the Tour of Homes & Gardens. You will have ample time after the 6:15pm service to reach your dinner destination. The $10 round-trip shuttle which will be running throughout the day will continue after the Home and Garden Walking Tours and throughout the duration of the complimentary Welcome Reception and Worship Service. See page 4 for more details. Shuttle tickets may be purchased by phone, on our website or at the Tour Headquarters.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2017

Home & Garden Walking Tour
Southwest Historic Landmark District
10:00am-1:00pm, 12:00pm-3:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets $45 More details on page 2

Thursday & Friday Afternoon Combo Deal
See page 11 for more details.

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Furnishings in the Andrew Low House

Andrew Low House, 324 Abercorn Street
9:30am-10:30am Tickets $40

Take an exclusive tour of one of Savannah's finest house museums. Since 1928, the National Society of Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia have cared for the history and architecture of the Andrew Low House, and have furnished it with some of the finest examples of early 19th century objects. Guided by members of the Society, this 1-hour tour will focus on the private collection of the Georgia Dames.

Lunch with George Whitefield

17hundred90 Restaurant and Inn, 307 East President Street
1:00pm Tickets $40

Who is George Whitefield? Why does his name appear on street signs, buildings and a square? Join George for lunch at the 17hundred90 Inn and Restaurant as he explains the work he was called to do in the colonies during the Revolutionary War period. Listen as he provides his thoughts and stance on major events of his day. Open nightly for dinner and brunch on the weekends, 17hundred90 has graciously provided this lunch opportunity for the Tour. Don't miss out on an assortment of southern cuisine that has been selected for your enjoyment.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2017

Tour of Duty. A little day drinking.
Service Brewing Company, 574 Indian Street
2:00pm Tickets $30

Enjoy a visit with our friends at Service Brewing. They craft authentic American-made beers for the curious and experienced consumer, focusing on high quality and local ingredients. They brew large scale beers year round and produce small batches of innovative, experimental brews. Must be 21 and have a valid ID.

Siege of Savannah Tour
Tour departure location to be announced later
3:00pm-4:30pm Tickets $35

The Siege of Savannah, in 1779, is considered one of the bloodiest battles in the fight for American independence. Follow your guide from the Coastal Heritage Society as you learn about the British forces that fortified and captured the colonial city of Savannah and the heros who failed to win her back.

Frivolity and Perspective: An Early Evening Experience at the 1820s Davenport House Museum
Davenport House Museum, 324 East State Street
5:30pm-7:30pm Tickets $35

Guests may arrive between 5:30 and 6:15pm to experience an early evening's social with the house staffed by costumed docents, who will discuss activities of the household in the early 19th century. At the end of the evening at 7:00pm there will be a demonstration of early 19th century dancing in the Kennedy Pharmacy. Refreshments will be served in the garden throughout the evening.

Compline - Saying Good Night to God (Gregorian Chant by Candlelight)
Christ Church Anglican , 2020 Bull Street
9:00pm-9:30pm
Complimentary event; no ticket required

Compline, or night prayer, is a Christian service of worship dating back to monastic life in the Middle Ages. Compline, from the word 'completion,' is sung in its entirety by members of the Compline Choir as their offering to the Lord to commemorate the day's end. As it has for centuries, Compline invokes a sense of protection and peace for the night that is to come and thanks for safe passage through the day that has past. The Compline Choir of Christ Church Anglican has offered Compline on Sundays at 9:00pm for many years and now offers it during the Tour of Homes on Friday evening so more Tour visitors may have the opportunity to experience this unique, brief, and moving service.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017

Home & Garden Walking Tour
Eastern Historic Landmark District
10:00am-1:00pm, 12:00pm-3:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets $45 More details on page 2

SATURDAY SEMINARS & EVENTS

Bonaventure Cemetery Walking Tour: Acres of Monuments and Live Oaks

Departs from the trolley stop at 320 Montgomery Street
Departures at 9:00am and 10:00am
Tickets $45

Join the Bonaventure Historical Society for a guided walking tour of Bonaventure Cemetery, highlighting the beautiful flora and several of the residents of Savannah's famous necropolis. Bonaventure Cemetery has been named by CNNtravel.com as the second most beautiful cemetery in the United States and the fifth most beautiful in the world. Stroll among centuries-old azaleas, camellias, and moss-draped live oaks, learning about their history and Savannah's most beautiful garden-style cemetery. Round-trip transportation from downtown is included; total time for the event is 2.5 to 3 hours. After arriving at the cemetery, participants should be prepared to walk approximately 1 mile on unpaved, level roadways.

Preservation-in-Progress Walking Tours

Tour departure location to be announced later
11:00am-12:30pm and 2:00pm-3:30pm
Tickets $30

Join us for an interactive walking tour featuring two homes: one is a complete restoration and the other is a work in progress. This seminar involves walking to two different sites and one will be in a state of active restoration. Please wear appropriate footwear.

Savannah's Scavenger Hunt

Tour departure location to be announced later
12:30 pm–2:00 pm
Adult Tickets $10; Children's Tickets $5

Join *Savannah Scavenger Hunt* author, Chris Sergi, to discover the wonders of the nation's largest National Historic Landmark District. Sergi pulls together little-known facts, visual treats, and enticing tidbits of history in this scavenger hunt designed for all ages to enjoy. From underground tunnels used by pirates for treasure transport to mausoleums and stained glass windows, the city abounds with secrets and trivia for all to discover!

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017

The Evolution of Broughton Street with lunch at 45 Bistro
45 Bistro, 123 E Broughton Street
1:00pm Tickets $45

Staff of Historic Savannah Foundation will present on the evolution of Savannah's very own main street, Broughton Street, over lunch. Set at the 45 Bistro restaurant, adjacent to the historic Marshall House, the elegant front dining room overlooks historic Broughton Street. Enjoy award winning cuisine as you learn more about the history of one of Savannah's most prominent streets. Broughton Street has had its highs and lows. A once thriving commercial corridor, it eventually fell on hard times after World War II. It has since been revitalized and the evolution of Broughton Street continues—now with the recent and ongoing transformation of more than 30 buildings along this strip.

Clermont Lee's Savannah
Tour departure location to be announced later
3:00pm-4:30pm Tickets $30

The story of Savannah's preservation movement is not complete without the vision of native-born daughter, Clermont Lee. Born into society, Lee trained as a landscape architect before returning home to research historic gardens and implementing her own designs; including renovations of some of the city's idyllic squares. Led by guide and gardener Betsy Haun, this tour focuses on Lee's lasting elegance.

Spit, Shine, and Polish: A private tour of the Webb Military Museum
Webb Military Museum, 411 East York Street
5:00pm-6:30pm Tickets $35

This event is new for 2017. Please join us for a private tour of Savannah's Webb Military Museum. This unique museum features military artifacts from the American Civil War to Desert Storm. Original uniforms, headgear, and equipment are displayed in a walk-through setting. The museum honors our servicemen from all wars and branches. Many of the displays contain named groupings of servicemen highlighting their stories of service. A visit to Webb Military Museum will certainly bring back one's love of history and the realization of how much we owe to our men and women in uniform.

Thursday, Friday & Saturday Afternoon Combo Deal
See page 11 for more details.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2017

Home & Garden Walking Tour
Ardsley Park - Chatham Crescent
12:00pm-3:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets $45 **More details on page 2**

Round-trip Shuttle for Ardsley Park Tour
Departs from the trolley stop at 320 Montgomery Street and drops off at Tiedemann Park
Departures every 30 minutes
11:30am-5:30pm Tickets $10

SUNDAY SEMINARS & EVENTS

Historic Trolley Tour of Savannah's Squares
Departs from Trolley Stop at 320 Montgomery Street
9:30am-11:00am Tickets $40

Sit back and enjoy the ride through Savannah's majestic historic district while noted preservationists from Historic Savannah Foundation narrate this rolling seminar focusing on the beauty and history of Savannah's unique squares and parks. Included in the event will be information on the cultural and artistic significance of Savannah's monuments and public art. This 90-minute tour may include some walking, so remember to wear appropriate footwear!

DISCOUNTS

Thursday & Friday Afternoon Combo Deal
Save $10 when you purchase tickets for Thursday and Friday afternoon Walking Tours together. Available for the 2:00pm-5:00pm Walking Tours only.

Thursday, Friday & Saturday Afternoon Combo Deal
Save $15 when you purchase tickets for Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoon Walking Tours together. Available for the 2:00pm-5:00pm Walking Tours only.

Group Discounts
We now offer a 10% discount to groups of 20 and more. To receive the 10% discount, orders must be placed by calling the Tour office at 912.234.8054. Tickets must be purchased together; the discount is not available for individual purchases.

COMPLIMENTARY EVENTS

Savannah's Preservation Story
Historic Savannah Foundation, 321 East York Street
9:00am, 9:30am, 10:00am and 10:30am
Thursday through Saturday

Join us for a 15 minute video about Savannah's preservation efforts and the history of Historic Savannah Foundation. The founding of Historic Savannah Foundation began with a catalyst – the impending destruction of the Isaiah Davenport House, an 1820s brick home on Columbia Square in 1955. Through the tenacity of an unlikely band of activists, the house was saved and the organization founded. Since that time, Savannah has achieved an international reputation for historic preservation and today boasts a billion dollar tourist industry.

Welcome Reception and Worship Service
Whitefield Center, 106 East 37th Street and
Christ Church Anglican, 2020 Bull Street
5:30pm-7:00pm Thursday
(More details on page 6)

Compline - Saying Good Night to God
(Gregorian Chant by Candlelight)
Christ Church Anglican , 2020 Bull Street
9:00pm-9:30pm Friday and Sunday
(More details on page 8)

Christ Church Anglican
Sunday Worship Services
2020 Bull Street
8:00am and 10:30am

It would be our pleasure to welcome you to these events.
Please visit our website for updates on tours and events.
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ORDER TICKETS EARLY!
Many Tours and Special Events sell out well in advance.
Tickets on sale starting December 5, 2016 at 10:00am EST.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

TOUR HEADQUARTERS/GIFT SHOP

Tour Headquarters and the Gift Shop will be open March 22 - 26, 2017, from 9:00am-5:00pm for ticket sales, ticket pick-up, and shopping. It is located in the B Historic Hotel located at 320 Montgomery Street, Savannah, GA 31401.

PAYMENT FOR TICKETS

Payment for tickets may be made by cash, check, MasterCard or Visa. Tickets may be purchased through our website, by calling the Tour office, or by mail using the form on page 14. No unpaid reservation is accepted. **All sales are final; we regret we are not able to offer refunds**. Events are held rain or shine and are subject to change.

TICKET ORDER CONFIRMATION

A ticket order confirmation will be sent by email upon receipt of your ticket order and payment. **If you do not receive confirmation of your ticket order, please call the Tour Office immediately. No tickets will be mailed.** Bring your confirmation with you so it may be exchanged for tickets upon your arrival at Tour Headquarters.

VISITOR INFORMATION

Visitor information may be obtained by calling the Savannah Area Convention and Visitors Bureau toll free at 877.728.2662 or by visiting visitsavannah.com.

PARKING

Parking is limited downtown and may be difficult to find in the vicinity of Tour Headquarters; most on-street parking is metered. Parking meters operate Monday to Friday from 8:00am-5:00pm and many require coins. Parking garages require payment 24/7. Information about special parking permits may be obtained by contacting the City of Savannah Parking Services at 912.651.6470.

RESTROOMS

Restrooms are available at Tour Headquarters and other public facilities.

DIRECTIONS

Directions to Tour Headquarters may be obtained on our website or by calling the Tour Office at 912.234.8054.

NET PROCEEDS

Net proceeds of the Tour are shared by the Tour Partners. Proceeds for the Women of Christ Church Anglican are allocated to community outreach organizations, and proceeds for Historic Savannah Foundation help underwrite its annual operations. Proceeds for the Ardsley Park-Chatham Crescent Garden Club fund preservation projects in the neighborhood.

PURCHASE TICKETS

Order online at savannahtourofhomes.org
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The Savannah Tour of Homes & Gardens
2020 Bull Street, Savannah, GA 31401

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ALL SALES FINAL. NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE.
Tickets are limited; sell-outs often occur.
Purchase tickets online, or by phone, or mail.

All mail orders must be postmarked by March 10, 2017,
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